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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend page 1 of the specification by amending Paragraph No. 1 as follows:

This application is the Section 371(c) filing of copending PCT Application No. PCT/US00/25681, filed 20 September 2000, which designated the United States and was published in the English language as PCT Publication No. WO 01/21877 on 29 March 2001. The PCT Application ~~This application~~ claims priority from commonly owned U.S. Provisional Application, U.S.S.N. 60/155,365, filed 20 September 1999, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the PCT Abstract (PCT cover page) with the attached Abstract provided on new page number 15, which reads as follows:

ABSTRACT

This invention comprises a plurality of yarns that have been formed into an aligned group, substantially parallel and spaced apart. This parallel grouping of yarns is fixed in place by forming an adhesive coating, printed on only one side of the yarns. Cooling of the hot melt adhesive occurs almost instantaneously, and the resulting product is a fixed web or substrate consisting essentially of a plurality of aligned yarns and an adhesive coating or layer on one side of said fibers. The fiber orientation produced in this invention, in which the fibers run in the machine direction, provides a non-woven fabric material substrate in which the fibers mimic warp yarns, which can either be used as is or used in subsequent non-woven manufacturing processes to make materials that have the visual impression and physical feel of a woven material.